Things to think about in Memoirs:

• Who is the story about?

• What is the relationship between the subject and the writer?

• What is the writer’s purpose? In other words, what does the writer want

you to know about this relationship?

• What is the one impression that the writer wants you to have about

his/her subject?

• How does the writer show you how important his/her subject is in the

piece? Through his/her thoughts? Through his/her feelings about the

subject? Through the details and description?

• Does he/she share memories of experiences or events that he/she shared

with the person?

• Where is this person now?

• What are the writer’s thoughts or feelings about this person now? (These

are his/her insights.